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PM/DTCC - BLUE LANTERN COORDINATOR (VALERIN) AND
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SUBJECT: BLUE LANTERN APPLICATION 05-1004255

REF: STATE 130355

The following is post's response to questions concerning the pre-license check on application 05-1004255, for sale to Reloaders Supplies Ltd. of Onehunga, Auckland. Due to limited Embassy staff it was not possible to make a site visit. Information was instead obtained through an internet search and PE Counselor's telephone call to Ron Dent, Director of Reloaders Supplies Ltd.

1) When was the company established and who are its principals?

-- According to an internet search of registered NZ companies (www.companies.govt.nz), the company was incorporated 17 April 1975.
The Director is Ronald DENT.

2) Who are the firm's typical customers and where are they located?

-- According to Dent, the company sells by mail order to hunters across New Zealand. (An Embassy search of the company website, www.reloaders.co.nz, found would-be buyers are instructed to e-mail or call the shop for more information about its products.)

3) Does the company have an established, legitimate customer base to which it plans to sell these commodities?

-- Mr. Dent says many customers are repeat customers. All must have licenses to purchase firearms and ammunition.

4) Does the company have adequate on-site security?

-- The company is protected by police-approved alarms. All are inspected annually by NZ Police to ensure they are sufficient and in working order.

5) Does the company keep proper, detailed records of its sales and customers?

-- The company has a record of every firearm it has sold since 1977.
It's book of registered sales is inspected by NZ Police every six months.

6) Does the company understand the restrictions on United

States Munitions List (USML) articles, particularly regarding re-exporting (no re-export without USG authorization)?

-- Yes. In addition to US State Department permission, GNZ approval would be required for re-export.

7) Does the company have the proper firearms license and import permit for the items listed on the license application?

-- Yes. Licenses of all NZ firearm dealers are re-issued annually following inspection of the premises.

8) In post's assessment, is the company a reliable recipient of USML items?

-- Yes.
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